Government of India Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution Department of Consumer Affairs

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1901 TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.03.2017

BUFFER STOCK OF PULSES

1901. ADV. M. UDHAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION उपभोक्ता मामले, खाध और सार्वजनिक वित्तरण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that the NAFED is to procure 7 lakh tonne pulses for buffer stock and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether it is also true that NAFED had maintained pulses and other products as per the directives of the Government and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण राज्य मंत्री (श्री सी. आर. चौधरी)

THE MINISTER OF STATE CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)

(a) : As on 06.03.2017, NAFED has procured a total of 6,51,825 MT of pulses for buffer, consisting of 4,38,454 MT of Tur, 61,164 MT of Urad, 1,28,953 MT of Moong, 20,266 MT of Gram and 2988 MT of Masoor over 2015-16 and 2016-17 under Price Stabilization Fund (PSF) Scheme.

(b) : In addition to procurement operations of pulses under PSF, NAFED also procures other agricultural items under Price Support Scheme (PSS) at Minimum Support Prices (MSPs) to offer remunerative prices to farmers. During the year, 2016-17, NAFED procured 4949 MT of Sunflower Seed, 4485 MT of Milling Copra, 1837 MT of Ball Copra, 162 MT of Soyabean and 210731 MT of Groundnut under PSS.
